

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)
	Rudolf J. Hofmeister et al.	)
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Serial No.:	10/697,395	) Art Unit
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For:	AUTOMATIC SELECTION OF DATA RATE	)
	FOR OPTOELECTRONIC DEVICES	)
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Confirmation No.:	7465	)
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Customer No.:	022913	)
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Examiner:	Kenneth J. Malkowski	)

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed September 27, 2006 (the "Office Action"), please consider the following remarks:

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper; and

*Remarks/Arguments* begin on page 5 of this paper.